

DATE: August 22, 1991

Full Name: John Atwood SSN: _____
(Do not use initials if you can get the full name)

Address: _____

City: Camarillo State: CA Zip Code: 93010

Date of Birth: 2-8-57 (This is important, should be exact.)

Approximate age 34 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is unknown.)

Religion Unknown Nationality (citizen of) American

Occupation Service Technician for copy machines - _____

Education Unknown for sure. Believe to high school graduate, but not a college graduate.

Weight 250 Height 6'0" Race Anglo Color Hair Blond Color Eyes Unknown

Distinguishing physical characteristics Overweight

Hobbies or special interests Skilled at mechanical and vehicle repair; enjoys off-roading with 4-wheel drive jeeps.

Married _____ Single X Name of Spouse _____

Children: Number -0- Names and Ages: _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT NO.	CITY	STATE	POSITION Member of	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
<u>P336</u>	<u>Orange</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Approx. 1979</u>	<u>8/17/91</u>
<u>T210</u>	<u>Oxnard</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>Scoutmaster</u>	_____	_____

Chartered Organization Post 336, Chapman College

Special Recognitions _____

Incident: Type 2 Date 8-2-91 Resolution 5

TYPE

1. Scouting related
2. Not Scouting related
3. Homosexual (not specifically involving youth)

RESOLUTION

1. Internal (only BSA members know)
2. Criminal action
3. Court action
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| 2. Statement by victim(s) | 6. Official notification of termination |
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COUNCIL: ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL

SIGNED: _____

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A. GRAVES

October 25, 1991

Mr. Kent W. Gibbs
Scout Executive
Orange County Council, No. 39

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: JOHN ATWOOD

Dear Kent:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Richard Parker, Western Region

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**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
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September 18, 1991

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service
BSA National Office
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Re: John Atwood

Dear Mr. Ernst:

In regards to your letter of September 3, 1991, please find enclosed a description of the incident involving Mr. Atwood.

If I can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ted Cox
Director of Field Service

TC/kv

Enclosure

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MEMORANDUM

To: Ted Cox
From: Ron Schoenmehl *RSchoenmehl*
Date: 16 August 1991 *& additional entry.*
Re: John Atwood youth molestation incident

Summary of incident:

On Friday, August 2, 1991, Mr. John Atwood and youth [REDACTED] spent a night in a hotel room in San Diego County, en route to Lost Valley Scout Reservation. During the night, Mr. John Atwood provided alcohol and got [REDACTED] intoxicated. [REDACTED] fell asleep and was molested during the night. [REDACTED] alleges that he was awakened from his sleep by John Atwood fondling him. [REDACTED] continued to feigned sleep while John Atwood proceeded to orally copulate him.

The next day while at Lost Valley, [REDACTED] confided in [REDACTED] one of the weekend volunteers of the camp. Subsequently, [REDACTED] confided to one of his friends, [REDACTED]. According to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] also stated that he had been victimized by John Atwood.

[REDACTED] shared this information with [REDACTED] camp ranger, and with me on August 16 while at Lost Valley. I proceeded with the youth protection guidelines and contacted Ted Cox. I presented my suggested outline for action which you agreed to. The details follow.

Note: This action did not take place on a Scouting event nor on Scouting property. However, the parties involved are members of the Orange County Council.

MEMORANDUM**Vital information on parties involved:****Perpetrator**

Name: John Atwood DOB: 02-08-57
Registration info: Explorer Post 336, Orange Cty Council
Position:

Home address: [REDACTED] Camarillo, CA 93010
Phone: [REDACTED]

Victim #1:

Name: [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED]
Registration info: Member of Varsity Team 6871

Address: [REDACTED] La Habra, 90631
Phone: [REDACTED]

Parent: [REDACTED]

Victim #2:

Name: [REDACTED]
Registration info: Member of Explorer Post 9871

Home address: [REDACTED] La Habra, CA 90631
Phone: [REDACTED]

Parent: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Name: [REDACTED]
Registration info: Explorer Post 336
Position:

Home address: [REDACTED] Fullerton, CA 92633
Phone: [REDACTED]

MEMORANDUM

INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Full name: John Atwood SSN: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]
City: Camarillo State: CA Zip: 93010
Date of Birth: February 08, 1957
Age: 34
Religion: Unknown Nationality: American
Occupation: Service technician for copy machines
[REDACTED]
Education: Unknown for sure
Believed to be high school graduate
Not believed to be college graduate
Weight: 250 pounds Height: 6'0" Race: Anglo
Color Hair: Blond Color Eyes: Unknown
Distinguishing physical characteristics: Overweight
Hobbies or special interests: Skilled at mechanical and
vehicle repair; Enjoys off-roading with 4-wheel drive
Jeeps;
Marital Status: Single
No children
Scouting connection:
Post 336; Orange, CA; Member of committee;
Date registered: Approx 1979 Date resigned: 8/17/91
served with notice of denial
Troop 210, Oxnard, CA: former Scoutmaster
Date registered: _____ Date resigned: _____
(Need to check with Ventura County Council)
Lost Valley Camp Staff and weekend volunteer, Orange
County Council, since 1975 approximately
Chartered Organization: Post 336, Chapman College
Special Recognition:
Incident: Type: 2; Date: Aug 2, 1991 Resolution: 5, 2?

MEMORANDUM

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1. Internal (only BSA members know)
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CHECK OFF LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION

1. Description of incident - attached
2. Statement by victim(s) - requested
3. Media reports - none
4. Legal proceedings - none at this time
5. Offender's statement - not available
6. Official notification of termination - attached
7. Found guilty/innocent by court - unknown at this time

COUNCIL: Orange County Council

SIGNED:

_____
Ron Schoenmehl, Camping Director_____
Kent Gibbs, Scout Executive

MEMORANDUM**Chronology:**

August 2, 1991:

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August 3, 1991

While at Lost Valley, [REDACTED] confided in [REDACTED] one of the weekend volunteers of the camp. [REDACTED] in talked with [REDACTED] helped him find a place to work during the day to avoid further contact with John Atwood, and provided transportation for [REDACTED] to his home on Sunday, August 4, 1991.

Approximately August 10, 1991

[REDACTED] confides in his friend [REDACTED]

Approximately August 14, 1991

[REDACTED] tells his parents of the molestation. Mr. [REDACTED] contacts San Diego County Sheriff's office, Deputy Collier, and reports the incident. [REDACTED] Deputy Collier advises the [REDACTED] not to discuss the incident further.

August 15, 1991

10:30 am: [REDACTED] arrives at Lost Valley. He recently talked to [REDACTED] who requested Andrew Harake to call Deputy Collier and report what he knows. [REDACTED] tells [REDACTED] and Ron Schoenmehl of the incident.

August 16, 1991

3:20 am: [REDACTED] attempts to call Deputy Collier. [REDACTED] is advised to call later that afternoon.

[REDACTED]

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8:40 am: Ron Schoenmehl calls Ted Cox and informs him of the incident. (Note: Scout Executive Kent Gibbs is out of the state and will not return until next week. Mr. Cox, director of field service, is on vacation and Schoenmehl calls him at home). Mr. Cox agrees to the plan and the further steps recommended by Ron Schoenmehl.

8:50 am: Ron Schoenmehl reports the incident to Mr. Dave Graska, Scout Executive of Ventura County Council. (W: 805/482-8938; FAX: 805/484-9172) This report is made because Mr. John Atwood resides in that council and is a former Scoutmaster of their Troop 210. Ron Schoenmehl feels that John Atwood could be currently registered in that troop or participate in a non-registered capacity. (Subsequently, Graska informs Ron Schoenmehl that John Atwood is not registered in that council). **Schoenmehl requests that Ted Cox follow up with Graska.**

9:20 am: Ron Schoenmehl reports the incident to Child Protective Services of San Diego County, Anna Baker, ([REDACTED]).

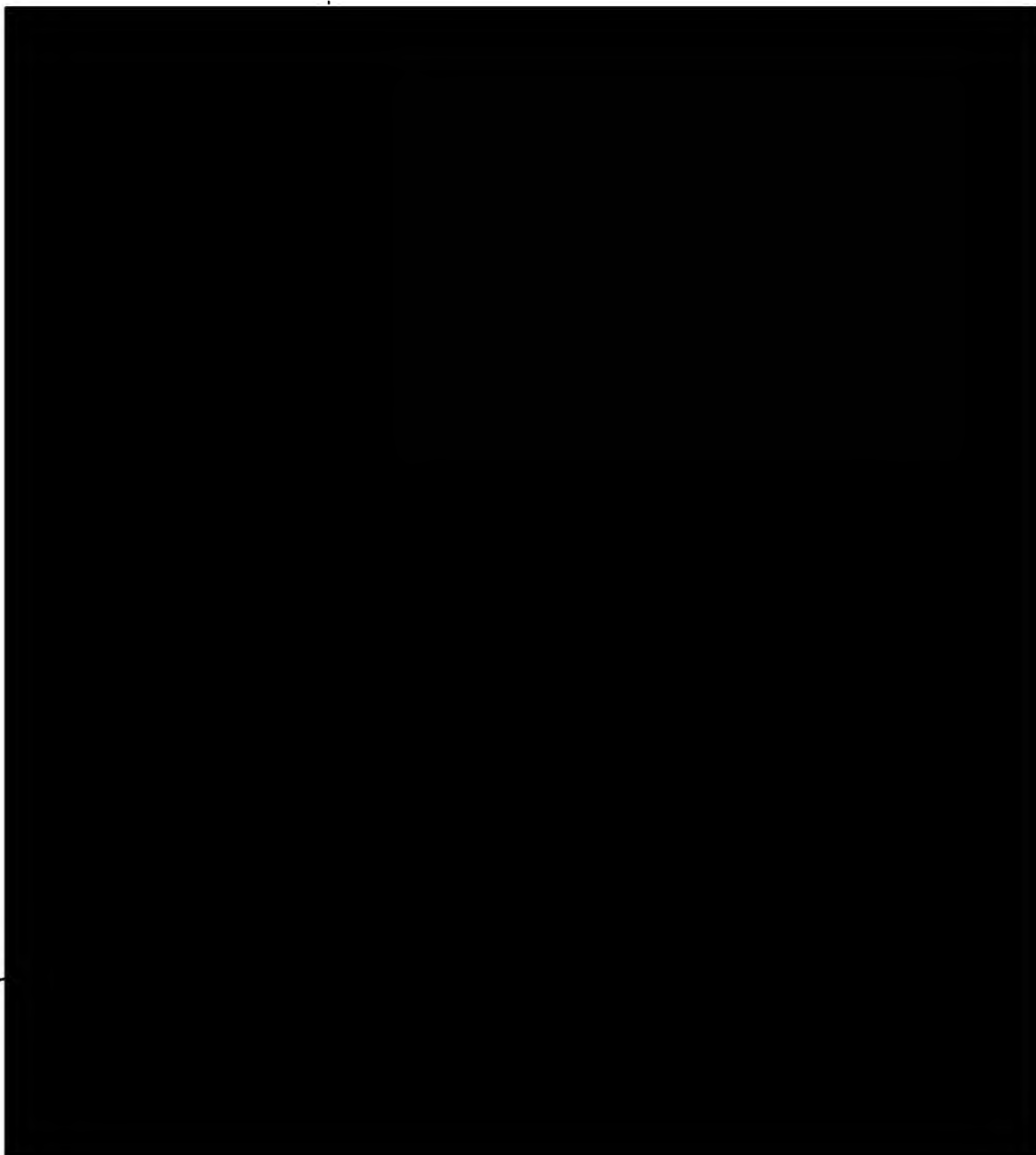
9:42 am: Ron Schoenmehl talks with [REDACTED] and requests they send a written statement from either the victim or the parents to Ron Schoenmehl at the service center, marked confidential. This report would be part of the confidential file for national.

9:50 am: Ron Schoenmehl talks with [REDACTED] and makes a similar request as above. [REDACTED] indicates that he is reluctant to make such a statement. (In a previous youth protection incident not related in any way to this and not involving [REDACTED], a report was made by another son of [REDACTED] regarding a youth who claimed to be homosexual. The council suspended the membership of this alleged homosexual and the accused appealed the suspension. After a review by the regional committee, the membership of the accused was reinstated. [REDACTED] feels this action was not in the best interest of Scouting and feels his other son was put in a difficult position, the incident mishandled). [REDACTED] states he prefers allowing the legal authorities to handle the incident.

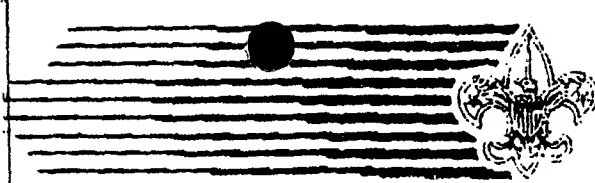
August 17, 1991

12:05 am: Shortly after midnight, John Atwood arrives at Lost Valley. Ron Schoenmehl asks John Atwood to join him in the business office. He also asks Rodney Sonderman to accompany them.

Ron Schoenmehl presents John Atwood with the letter denying him membership in the Boy Scouts of America. Atwood asks what the nature of the charges are and

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August 16, 1991

John Atwood

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Camarillo, CA 93010

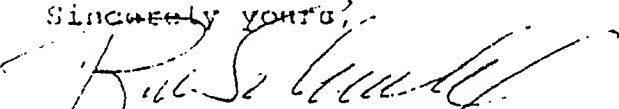
Dear John:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be denied. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to refuse registration whenever there is concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a BSA regional review committee, please write to the regional director within 60 days of the date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be granted. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely yours,


Ron Schoenmehl
Camping Director

RS/kv

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The following information is provided should you desire a review by the Western Region, BSA, of the decision to deny your registration.

1. Within 60 days, you must request in writing a review of this decision. Your request should be sent to: Western Region, 185 North Wolfe Road, P.O. Box 3464, Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3464. In your request you must include your version of what occurred in support of your claim that registration should not have been denied.
2. Upon the receipt of your written request, a committee will be appointed to review the situation.
3. If the regional review committee determines that a review hearing is necessary, the committee will advise you whether or not you may attend. In some instances, no useful purpose would be served by having the applicant present. The hearing is not adversarial in nature and neither the committee nor you, if you attend, will be represented by legal counsel. If you wish, in the event you attend, you may be accompanied by no more than two other individuals if their testimony might assist the committee in discovering the truth and arriving at a correct decision.
4. The committee will review the facts as presented, and may interview any persons whose testimony might assist them in arriving at a correct decision.
5. You will receive a letter setting forth the decision of the committee.
6. If you are dissatisfied with the decision of a regional review, you may request a further review by the National Council. The decision of the National Council will be final.

September 3, 1991

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Mr. Kent W. Gibbs
Scout Executive
Orange County Council, No. 39

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: JOHN ATWOOD

Dear Kent:

Thanks for the information you recently sent on Mr. Atwood. This will enable us to start a file which will lead to refusal of registration in the future.

You do not indicate anywhere in this material what Mr. Atwood did. We would like an explanation, newspaper clippings, court records, or some other material that would help us to have a strong file.

If there is to be legal action, we would like to have that information also.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Richard E. Parker, Western Region

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Mr. John Atwood

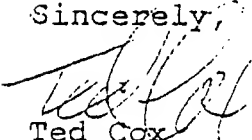
[REDACTED]
Camarillo, CA 93010

Dear John:

As you are aware, your registration with the Boy Scouts of America has been denied. A refund of your registration fee is enclosed.

As was previously stated to you, you may have this decision reviewed by a BSA regional review committee.

Sincerely,


Ted Cox
Director of Field Service

TC/kv

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Chartered Organization Post 336, Chapman College

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COUNCIL: ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL

SIGNED: Ted Cox
Ted Cox
Director of Field Service

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08/29/91

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FIRST: JOHN

LAST : ALWOOD

ADDR1:

ADDR2: CAMARILLO

CA

ADDR3:

ADDR4:

ZIP: 93010

REG STATUS: R ENROLL: 0288 BIRTH: 0257 SEX: M AGENCY: M ADULT/YOUTH: A

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